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SUBJ: STA PROBLEMS AND SSN MONITORING

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1. STORY OF GOJ REQUEST TO USG TO HALT SSN VISITS QTE FOR THE TIME BEING UNQTE HIT JAPANESE NEWS MEDIA STARTING WITH NHK NEWS BROADCASTS EVENING FEBRUARY 20. MAINICHI (ENGLISH) FOR MORNING FEBRUARY 21 CARRIES STORY AS TWO COLUMN FRONT-PAGE LEAD ARTICLE QUOTING FONOFF SOURCES BUT WITH NO MENTION OF QTE UNOFFICIAL UNQTE CHARACTER OF REQUEST.

2. RE STATEMENT PROPOSED BY DEPARTMENT REFTTEL, EMBASSY RECOMMENDS FOLLOWING TEXT BE USED: QUOTE THE JAPANESE GOVT IS PRESENTLY REVIEWING ITS MONITORING SYSTEM FOR JAPANESE PORTS VISITED BY NUCLEAR POWERED WARSHIPS. THE REVIEW IS THE RESULT OF RECENT REVELATIONS THAT ANALYTICAL REPORTS OF MONITORING SAMPLES WERE FABRICATED BY THE JAPAN ANALYTICAL RESEARCH INSTITUTE, A GOVT CONTRACTOR. IN VIEW OF CURRENT JAPANESE GOVT EFFORTS TO REESTABLISH EFFECTIVE MONITORING ARRANGEMENTS, THE U.S. HAS DEFERRED SCHEDULING SSN VISITS FOR THE

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MENTS, THE U.S. HAS DEFERRED SCHEDULING SSN VISITS FOR THE

REMAINDER OF FEBRUARY. UNQUOTE.

3. EMBASSY'S SUGGESTED CHANGES REFLECT THAT ALLEGATIONS WERE MADE, FIRST IN DIET, NOT IN PRESS, THAT QTE ALLEGATIONS UNQTE NO LONGER ARE MERELY ALLEGATIONS SINCE THEY AHVE BEEN SUBSTANTIALLY CONFIRMED AND THAT WE CANNOT RPT NOT NOW ANTICIPATE THAT GOJ WILL HAVE BEEN ABLE TO PUT INTO OPERATION NEW MONITORING SYSTEM BY END OF FEBRUARY.
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